7/24/70

Senator Charles McC. Mathias
Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mac,

The purpose of this letter is not alone to thank you and your staff for getting the statements enclosed with your letter of 7/21, which are what I want and for which I do thank you.

It is also to tell you that we both know the problem the mere signing of an extra letter can mean, the few seconds required for reading a brief note can be too many. I would have phoned this morning to say thanks when I am in Washington, but I want you to know that with us, when you are too busy, as we know any Member can be, the appreciated formality is not necessary.

If, before the hearings are published, there are other such statements, I'd appreciate copies of them.

A major mass publisher was considering a book of special approach I had proposed on the subject of bombing and terrorism. He liked and likes the idea, but yesterday decided against initial publication on the ground the hearings will not get enough natural publicity to make the book a success withoutwerior harb-back appearence. He has suggested several such publishers for me to approach. I have not yet decided to do this at this juncture, although I may.

This is an area in which I have also done original work and in which I have unpublished materials of sensational nature. Im have done sanciderable relevent writing not in print. I fear that with the Canutian approach, the ultimate probhem will ne fire, not water.

Thanks and best regards,

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg